

Children's Work

Dear Cheyenne & Tasman

Hope you guys are liking your new school and making lots of new friends there. School this year has been good.

I competed in the small school sport. I came 1st, 3rd, 2nd, 3rd and last in back stroke. I might get to go to COPs and swim. Blaze, Portia, Cowan and I came second in the freestyle relay. Cowan was the only Hangatiki kid there. Mrs Dimond added him with us to compete in swimming.

Did you guys see us on TV with Tamati at the Glowworm Caves on Breakfast? We went in the caves and sang Titanic and Alex told a joke live on TV.

P.S Hope we can keep in touch.

From Tiana

Dear Cheyenne & Tasman

It's been ages since I've seen you. Over Christmas we saw three movies, got loads of PRESENTS, like the new world cup soccer ball in GOLD! Is that cool or what. We got to spend valuable time with our family. Hope you did the same. I bet you're having a wicked time up there. Farm Cove sounds cool.

It probably doesn't run the same up in Auckland, but we had small school swimming sports on Monday, the senior class did well with 1st, 2nd, 3rd and the occasional 4th. I've still got my race numbers on my arm.

Outback on the farm, its great fun and we have just started to hack into the goats, and by hack I mean shoot. Dad's got this really cool gun for shooting deer, it's a 243 if you really want to know.

If you write back include all your pets, all your sports and all your friends. I'm sure there is half a million to choose from but I've always got friends away from school.

Oh my gosh! I almost forgot the most extreme part of the last two years of my life! Just recently Dad, Uncle, my cousin Jesse and I all went on a hunting trip to the Kaweka Ranges a while out of Taupo. We stayed in a DOC hut without electricity, it was so much fun. We flew in on an aeroplane! On the first night my cousin and I set out on foot and sat over cliff for ages. Until ...I spotted a blaze red and orange, it was a ... Seka stag with six points. After stalking this magnificent beast, boom! boom! And it's rolling down the hill. After surgery with my knife yummy back steaks and hind quarters for the Barbe as in BBQ.

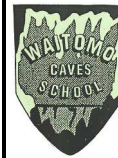
Enough about me, I hope what ever it is that your doing, have fun and remember Waitomo.

Love Alex

What's Coming Up At Waitomo Caves School

10 March	Fundraising meeting 6.00pm
10 March	Parent meeting 7.00pm
11 March	Waitomo Inter-School Swimming Day
26 March	Waitomo Sports Day

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Term One 2011

Week Five – 4 March

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome to the senior class Roimata Walters-Anderson. Roimata joins us from Taupiri and lives with her Nan. Welcome Josephine, we enjoy having you as part of our parent/caregiver/whanau.

We extend a special welcome to our new Kick-Start children Qaiyaan Hughes and Jevaahn Costar. Also welcome along Pania and Mitch Hughes and Blake Costar and Tanya Trent.

Swimming

All swimmers should be extremely proud of themselves for their efforts in the recent swimming sports held in Otorohanga. Thank you to all transporters, supporters, marshals and recorders on the day. We are excited to share the results of those who were able to compete in the small schools swimming day last week.

Kyah – 8 yr old girls 1 width Flutter Board (2nd), 2 widths Flutter Board (3rd), 2 widths Freestyle (3rd), 1 width Breaststroke (3rd), 1 width Backstroke (2nd). Well done, Kyah is 7 and swam against 8 year olds in small schools and COP's.

Portia – 8 yr old girls 2 widths Flutter Board (1st), 2 widths Freestyle (2nd), 1 width Breaststroke (2nd), 2 widths Breaststroke (2nd), 2 widths Backstroke (1st),



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1 length Freestyle (1st), 1 length Breaststroke (3rd), 1 length Backstroke (2nd).
Jessie – 8 yr old girls 1 width Flutter Board (1st), 2 widths Flutter Board (4th), 2 widths Freestyle (4th), 1 width Breaststroke (3rd), 1 width Backstroke (3rd).
John – 8 yr old boys 1 width Flutter Board (3rd), 1 width Freestyle (2nd), 2 widths Freestyle (4th), 1 width Breaststroke (3rd), 1 width Backstroke (4th).
Tiana – 9 yr old girls 2 widths Flutter Board (1st), 2 widths Breaststroke (3rd), 2 widths Backstroke (2nd), 1 length Freestyle (3rd), 1 length Backstroke (2nd).
Blaze – 9 yr old boys 2 widths Flutter Board (1st), 2 widths Freestyle (1st), 1 width Breaststroke (1st), 1 width Backstroke (2nd), 1 length Freestyle (1st), 1 length Backstroke (1st).

Te Hurinui – 9 yr old boys 1 length Freestyle (2nd), 1 length Breaststroke (1st).

Angel – 10 yr old girls 1 width Butterfly (3rd), 1 length Freestyle (3rd), 1 length Breaststroke (2nd), 1 length Backstroke (2nd).

Bailey – 11 yr old boys 2 widths Flutter Board (4th), 2 widths Breaststroke (2nd), 1 width Backstroke (2nd), 1 length Freestyle (4th).

Ratapu – 11 yr old boys 1 length Freestyle (4th), 1 length Breaststroke (2nd), 1 length Backstroke (2nd).

Alex – 11 yr old boys 1 length Freestyle (1st), 1 length Breaststroke (1st), 1 length Backstroke (1st).

Leah – 11 yr old girls 1 length Freestyle (3rd), 1 length Breaststroke (2nd), 1 length Backstroke (2nd), 1 length Butterfly (2nd).

Tai – 11 yr old girls 1 length Freestyle (1st), 1 length Breaststroke (1st), 1 length Backstroke (1st), 1 length Butterfly (1st).



WCS support crew ready to cheer everyone on.

Open Age Girls, 3x3 lengths Medley (Back, Breast, Free), Leah (1st), Angel (2nd), Tai (4th).

10 yrs & under 4 x 33m relay – Tiana, Blaze, Portia, Cowan - Waitomo (2nd). 11 yrs & over 4 x 33m freestyle relay – Alex, Angel, Tai, Leah - Waitomo (2nd). Open Age 4 x 33m medley relay – Ratapu (back), Leah (breast), Alex (free), Tai (fly) - Waitomo (2nd).

Tai (fly) - Waitomo (2nd).

The COP's Swimming event is always



Tai is warming up for her medley race.

challenging however, once again we did very well. The following results are all length races from heats:

Portia – 8 yr girls Freestyle (2nd), Backstroke (2nd). Tiana – 9 yr girls Freestyle (2nd), Breaststroke (1st). Blaze – 9 yr boys Backstroke (3rd). Te Hurinui – 9 yr boys Breaststroke (1st). Angel – 10 yr girls Freestyle (2nd). Tai – 11 yr girls Freestyle (2nd), 2 Freestyle (2nd), Breaststroke (2nd). Leah – 11 yr girls Backstroke (1st). Alex – 11 yr boys 2 Freestyle (1st), Breaststroke (1st), 2 Breaststroke (3rd), Backstroke (3rd), 2 Backstroke (4th).

Each swimmer was timed and results were collated. The overall place getters were:

Portia – 1 length Freestyle (2nd), 1 length Backstroke (5th).

Te Hurinui – 1 length Breaststroke (3rd).

Tai – 1 length Freestyle (5th).

Alex – 1 length Breaststroke (3rd), 1 length Backstroke (3rd), 2 lengths Freestyle (5th).

Congratulations everyone you really are champions.

With one more swimming competition this year some senior swimmers face racing at the Waitomo Inter-Schools Swimming Day. This is scheduled for next Friday in Te Kuiti. The date is Friday 11 March starting time 10.00 am. We are expected to assemble at the Te Kuiti Pools for the briefing by 9.30am. Please contact school if you are available to transport and support the following swimmers: Alex, Leah, Tai, Te Hurinui, Blaze, Angel, Portia, Tiana, Ratapu and Logan.

Parent Meeting

There is a parent meeting scheduled for Thursday 10 March at 7.00pm. The focus is around National Standards. A notice will be sent home early next week for you to indicate your interest in attending.

There will be a fundraising committee meeting the same evening at 6.00pm.

Sports Day

Sports Day is on Saturday 26 March and we need your help. We need cakes, biscuits, muffins, baking, savoury slices and a variety of goodies to sell at the canteen. We need chocolates, Easter eggs and treats for the Easter raffle, so please start sending these in. We also need people on the day to help in the canteen, make filled rolls, crank up the sausage sizzle and sell raffles. If you have any questions please contact Myke on 0211783764.

Fundraising

There are opportunities for our community to raise money for school projects. Dawn and Marci are contacting parents to see who is available on Saturday 16 April. Look out for a special fundraising notice.